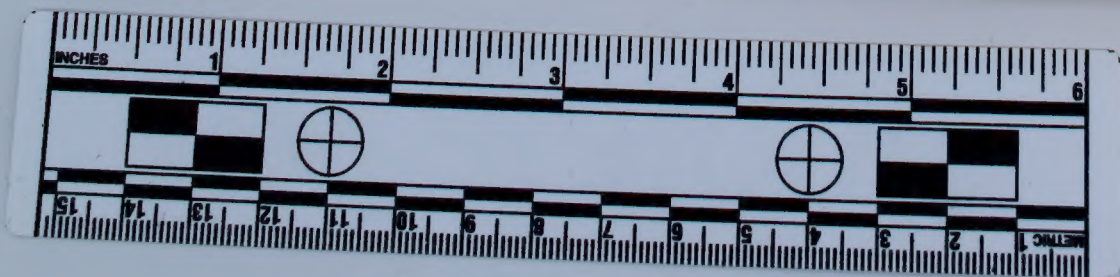


der & visited me twice my wife was 104 his first visit  
Katie & Annie got very tired looking after & keeping them  
up & the Dr. said. Newburgh, Ohio  
Dec. 23. 1892.

My dear daughter

This is sabbath afternoon  
and we have just finished eating our  
Christmas dinner which was very plain  
but I think ~~delicious~~ <sup>relished</sup>. There was but four  
of us but we wished for you and then  
has room to for you and enough to eat.  
The oranges you sent furnished one dish  
for our table and we hope by another  
Christmas you can be with us.  
Your express package arrived this morning  
I got Archie up at 7 o'clock to go after it  
and Oh, such a lot of beautiful and  
useful presents. we never received before.  
I thought your presents of last year the  
nicest I ever received but this year  
exceeds. I fear you have not only robbed  
yourself by sending them but over taxed  
yourself as well. we are all pleased  
with the presents and every thing just  
suits. Archie says he would like to write  
you a letter but will not have time.  
and he wishes he could have sent you  
a present. but says he will have to buy coal  
instead to keep us warm. The weather





is extremely cold and has been for some  
days and we have snow every day since  
last Wednesday. and today it snows and  
blows and we have sleighing. Archie stays  
has his old snow but this week he is earlier  
out and will get in earlier.  
Katie yesterday mailed you a package thinking  
it would be cheaper than to express it. it was addressed  
to your summer home. it contained the eagle a hand  
kerchief and some fancy work. Emma & I wrote to  
one to meet them at the Forest City Hotel at  
5 o'clock and I did not receive it in time  
to meet them and so they came to visit us  
she looks very much as she used to only healthier  
and more matured her husband has poor  
health they have sold their present home &  
are now looking for another location. they  
were delegates to a convention in C. I may  
enclose her last letter to you to read.  
The package arrived in a pretty good condition it  
looked a little dilapidated but the contents were all  
right. Katie's <sup>school</sup> has been dismissed until Tuesday.  
I gave her a pair of long sleeved dresses for a present  
and Archie I gave two handkerchiefs. Katie received  
her scholarship Certificate in a frame and I hung it  
up by the book case. We are all well as usual again  
Archie got hurt a few nights ago and had to quit  
work and come home he was struck in the face &  
on his lip while putting up the Trolley he needs some  
plaster over his wounds yet. I was throstrale for several

